

Public Notice

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE), 1000 SW Jackson, Suite 320, Topeka, KS 66612-1366, hereby gives public notice that a polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB) storage permit application was received on March 21, 2006, from Solomon Corporation, Solomon, Kansas.

Facilities in Kansas that intend to treat, store or dispose of PCBs are required to obtain a PCB Facility Construction Permit from KDHE. Solomon operates a transformer reclamation facility at 302 W. 7th Street in Solomon, Kansas. Solomon currently processes transformers that contain dielectric fluids that are either non-PCB or contain PCBs at concentrations below 50 parts per million (ppm). Solomon proposes to construct a permitted PCB commercial storage facility immediately adjacent to the existing transformer reclamation facility. Solomon plans to consolidate the receipt of all oil-filled electrical equipment at the new PCB facility. Dielectric transformer fluid that contains PCBs at concentrations between 50 and 1,500 ppm will be drained out of the transformers and pumped into one of two 7,137 gallon PCB storage tanks. The two tanks will be enclosed within a concrete bermed secondary containment area inside the new building. The PCB dielectric fluid will remain in the PCB storage tanks until it is shipped from the facility by vacuum tanker truck for treatment or disposal. A map of Solomon, Kansas marked with the proposed new construction is shown below.

The permit application for the new Solomon Corporation facility is currently under review by KDHE. Once the application is determined to be complete, the Secretary shall tentatively decide whether to prepare a draft permit or deny the application. If the Secretary decides to prepare a draft permit, another public notice will be published which will provide for a 45-day public comment period and announce the date, time, and location of the public hearing. If the Secretary of KDHE recommends approval of the application, an operational permit will be issued under the authority of K.S.A. 65-3480 to 65-3490 and the Kansas Annotated Regulations 28-55-1 to 28-55-5.

KDHE Staff members will be available to the general public to answer questions concerning the Solomon Corporation PCB storage permit application in the Solomon Public Library from 3 to 6 p.m. on Wednesday, August 2, 2006.

A copy of the permit application will be available to the public for viewing at these locations:

Kansas Department of Health and Environment
1000 SW Jackson, Suite 320
Topeka, KS 66612-1366
Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.

City of Solomon, Kansas
City Hall
116 West Main Street
Solomon, KS 67480
Hours: Monday-Friday 9:a.m. – 4:30p.m.

Kansas Department of Health and Environment
North Central District Office
2501 Market Place, Suite D
Salina, KS 67401-7699

Comments on the proposed PCB storage facility should be directed in writing to Mr. George McCaskill, Hazardous Waste Permits Section, KDHE 1000 S.W. Jackson, Suite 320, Topeka, KS 66612-1366, (785) 296-1595.